STANDARD FORM NO. 64

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TO : Chief, Security Research Staff DATE: 17 March 1955

FROM : [redacted] A

SUBJECT: Trip to [redacted] B

1. Reference is made to our several conversations in connection with the proposed trip of the writer to the [redacted] at [redacted] B to contact a number of their top-level specialists in regard to matters of ARTICHOKE interest and also to handle certain items of interest for [redacted] H-B3

2. If you will recall, we have long had an interest in certain work done at [redacted] particularly by [redacted] C and [redacted] who is [redacted] C Both of these men are cleared for contact at the Secret level. In addition, a number of other top-level specialists on the [redacted] staff have been cleared including [redacted] C

3. The proposed trip has been urgently requested by [redacted] A who is the Contact Division representative for the area for some time inasmuch as he felt that Agency interests could be furthered by discussions with top-level [redacted] personnel. [redacted] has exceptional B A entrē to [redacted] and in previous discussions with him he agreed to set B up all the necessary meetings and contacts for the writer at [redacted] B

4. It is, therefore, requested that you authorize the writer to travel to [redacted] with stopovers on return at [redacted] B and [redacted] to contact previously cleared individuals for discussions concerning ARTICHOKE problems. The writer plans to leave Washington by plane the morning of Monday, 28 March and return to Washington either Saturday or Sunday, 2 or 3 April. For your information, as far as we can determine, no Agency division has to date explored the [redacted] resources and it is hoped that much information of B future value can be obtained at this point.

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O.K. per [redacted] A

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2. My suggestion is that [redacted] arrive in [redacted] sometime during the day of [redacted] April. There are good flights arriving here around noon or three o'clock in the afternoon. I will meet [redacted] and he can stay with the [redacted] that night. We will leave the next morning for [redacted] by car. In my opinion, we can dispose of all of the important matters in one day. But I do feel that another day could be spent at the [redacted] because I want [redacted] to familiarize himself with any other potential, research or otherwise, in which he could use the [redacted] in the future. The cooperation of the [redacted] with our operations and any other future operations, I can assure you will be one hundred percent.

3. In setting up this project, there is only one person at the [redacted] who knows anything about it and that is [redacted], who is the civilian head of all [redacted] operations. When the date has definitely been set, as it has been now, he will call in [redacted] and give him the information that I have given to him. This will give them time to think the matters through and will be in a position to receive the information from [redacted] without [redacted] going into too much detail pertaining to the personnel operations. When these two have met with [redacted] then [redacted] and [redacted] will be brought in and told of the project and the desires of the executive group [redacted] then, of course, will go into detail with both [redacted] and [redacted] from then on.

4. I think it is most important that [redacted] and I sit down for sometime and study the whole situation. I am sure that [redacted] technical plans will be most important to me and also the information that I have will be of importance to him. When our thoughts have jelled, we will be in a position to go straight down the road without having any conflicts of any kind.

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5. I, of course, will be with [redacted] all of the time, and be of any assistance of any kind to him. At present, I can see no reason what-so-ever why [redacted] shouldn't be able to return to [redacted] on the afternoon or evening of 8 April. However, if he wants to stay over, the [redacted] is open Saturday morning the 9th. I do believe that one of the important matters of this visit of [redacted] is to look over the potential and facilities that are available at the [redacted]

6. You can tell [redacted] that on the 18th of March, I spent some time with [redacted] at one of the hospitals and he informed me that the forepart of this week a delegation from Cincinnati was present to see the administration of the drug and view the results. [redacted] also stated that the drug has been improved considerably since the samples were forwarded to Washington. He feels now that the "bugs" are out of the drug.

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